GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE ON FUNDS ALLOCATION TO NGOs
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted any Committee in regard to provision of funds to non-government organizations engaged in various welfare schemes;

(b) if so, the details alongwith composition thereof;

(c) whether the said Committee has submitted its report;

(d) if so, recommendations given by the Committee and the follow up action taken by the Government on their implementation;

(e) if not, the time by which said Committee is likely to submit its report; and

(f) the number of meetings held yearly by the said Committee since its constitution,till date?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir, An `Advisory Committee on issues relating to NGOs` headed by Shri S. Satyam I.A.S.(Retd.) and five other Members was constituted.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. The Committee in its report has made certain recommendations which are advisory in nature. These recommendations relate to National Voluntary Organisations-Mother Voluntary Organisation - Field Voluntary Organisations (NVO-MVO-FVO) model for grant-in-aid administration, decentralization of power to release grant-in-and to Empowered Committees at Statelevel,classification of NGOs,transparency In functioning, developing computerized network for administration.of grant-in-aid, system of monitoring And inspection. As a follow up of these recommendations, representatives of the Voluntary Organisations have been included as members of the Screening Committee that scrutinizes the applications received from the Voluntary Organisations for sanction of grant-in-aid in respect of new cases. The website of the Ministry is updated regularly. Wide publicity of the schemes and programmes are made through print and electronic media. Funds are transferred to the bank accounts of the Voluntary Organisations telegraphically. Regular inspections are carried out to ensure effective functioning of the Voluntary organizations.

(e) & (f) The committee has already submitted its report.